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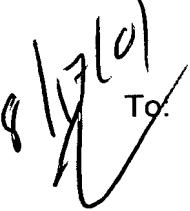
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

✓ In Re Application of :)
 ✓ Heather L. Stickler et al.)
 ✓ Serial No.: 09/736,615) Group Art Unit: 2841
 ✓ Filed: December 14, 2000) Examiner: Jose H. Alcala
 ✓ For: PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD)
 ✓ LAYOUT)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
ELECTION OF SPECIES


 To: BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT
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 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement and Election of Species mailed July 16, 2001, applicant elects the invention of Group I containing claims 1-12, without traverse.

The Examiner further requires an identification of species and an election of species with regard to the embodiments of the invention directed to Figures 1-10 and to Figure 11. Applicant elects the invention of Specie 1 shown in Figures 1-10. Claims reading on Figures 1-10 include claims 1-6, 8, 9 and 11-12 with regard to the claims of Group I.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's statement that no claim is generic. Several of the elected claims of Specie 1 read on both Figures 1-10 and on Figure 11.

Date: Aug 9, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

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